



## Information for Animal Owners

- 1. Rabies is a FATAL infection of the central nervous system of warm-blooded animals, including humans. It is transmitted through the bite of an animal that has the virus in its saliva.
- 2. When an animal bites a person, there is a possibility that the dog or cat could be infectious with rabies without showing signs of the infection.
- 3. The 10 day quarantine period is required so that the dog or cat can be observed for signs of rabies.
- 4. Your pet should be examined by your vet on the day of the bite, the last day of quarantine *and* once in between that time.
- 5. If your pet is quarantined in your home, your pet <u>must</u> be securely confined, tied or leashed. A dog may go outdoors <u>on a leash</u> to relieve itself. Your pet should be kept away from people.
- 6. If your pet is not kept properly isolated, MADACC (Milwaukee Area Domestic Animal Control Center) will be contacted and your pet will be removed from your home. Any expenses that occur as a result of your pet being quarantined at MADACC will be *your* responsibility.
- 7. To be released from quarantine, you must bring to the Cudahy Health Department:
  - ✓ A written statement from your pet's vet that says that your pet is healthy and free from rabies.
  - ✓ A current copy of your pet's shots.
  - ✓ If your pet is not licensed, a copy of the license from either MADACC or the City of Cudahy Clerk's Office.

ALL OF THE ITEMS MUST BE COMPLETED BEFORE YOUR PET CAN BE RELEASED FROM QUARANTINE.